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1. In view of the change in the principles of remunerating dockers, the efficiency of their work has fallen considerably, and the unloading of ships takes much longer than before. 25X1
2. The following example is cited: when dockers were working on piece work, they unloaded up to 1,000 bales of cotton from a ship within a certain number of hours. Now the same number of dockers unloads only 250 bales in the same time. The dockers explain that since their norms of work were increased, they would in any case be unable to achieve them, so that they would receive no extra pay, but they are certain of getting their basic pay regardless of the efficiency of their work.
3. In order to speed up the work, the managements of marine and other institutions on the coast issued an appeal at the end of May summoning their manual and white-collar workers to volunteer for loading and unloading ships in their spare time. The work of these "volunteers" is to last from 1700 to 2300 hours, and their earnings, depending on the work achieved, will amount to from 30 to 50 zlotys daily.
4. So far very few "volunteers" have reported for this work. On the other hand, dockers' work is being done by manual and white-collar personnel of institutions who, under pressure of Party members in their places of employment, had signed pledges.

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